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of many faithful Italian workers, in winning the support of many men prominent in Italian public life, and his influence, by personal addresses and otherwise, with the King and Queen of Italy, has been very powerful. All Mr. Moneta's friends—and his work is known in every country—will rejoice with him at the reception of this just tribute to his eminent services.

The recipient of the other half of the prize this year, Prof. Louis Renault, is professor of International Law in the University of Paris. He was one of the French Delegation to both the first and the second Hague Conferences. So far as the active peace propaganda is concerned, he has not been so much personally engaged in the movement as, for example, Baron d'Estournelles de Constant and a number of other prominent Frenchmen, but in his field he has rendered eminent service to the cause for which the Hague Conferences stand.

Work for the Coming Year.

While sending our most cordial New Year's greetings to all our members and friends, we wish we could see every one of you face to face and impress upon you the unusual importance of the present time for energetic work for the fuller development of the cause for which we stand. The past year, with the second Hague Conference, the great Peace Congresses and other powerful agencies, has advanced our movement immensely. But very much remains to be done before the "shining goal" is reached. Now is the time to work, when faith is large and hope is strong. Some of you have as yet done little except to *wish* and *aspire*. That is good; but there is something which each of you can *do*. In your neighborhood you can get up, or induce somebody to get up, a public union peace meeting, with good speakers and a prominent citizen presiding. The American Peace Society is just now, through the Assistant Secretary, Rev. James L. Tryon, making a special effort to get such meetings organized in every centre where our members live. You can send a dollar, or get somebody else's dollar to send for literature to distribute among "promising" folk in your community. You can secure two or three subscribers to the *ADVOCATE OF PEACE* without going an inch out of your way. Better still, every member of the Society can bring in one or two new members within the next month or two. Try some one or more of these methods, and you will be astonished to find how ripe the times are, and how sorry people are that you did not "see" them sooner. Nothing can make the new year happier to you than to do something immediately for the greatest moral cause now claiming the attention of the world. Remember that this year has one extra day in it. Put in at least that one day for peace, if you cannot spare any of the others.

Editorial Notes.

The Annual Reception.

The annual reception given by the President and Directors of the American Peace Society to the members and their friends who reside in and near Boston took place in the Twentieth Century Club Rooms, Boston, on Wednesday afternoon, December 18. About one hundred persons attended, among whom new members were especially noticeable. After a pleasant social hour, during which the guests exchanged greetings with each other and were served with refreshments by a hospitality committee in charge of Mrs. Fannie Fern Andrews, the gathering was called to order by Hon. Robert Treat Paine, president, who introduced Secretary Trueblood as chairman for the occasion. Both Mr. Paine and Dr. Trueblood told of the deep interest that our American delegates at The Hague had shown in the most advanced measures for world peace. Dr. Trueblood also referred appreciatively to Signor Moneta of Italy and Professor Renault of France, the recent recipients of the Nobel Peace Prize. In speaking of the rapidly-growing work of the American Peace Society, with its Press Bureau, its committees, its lecturers and its increased office force, now double what it was a year ago, he appealed to all present to do everything possible to extend the influence of the Society through increased membership and through meetings in their own communities. Rev. Bradley Gilman of Canton and Mr. Daniel G. Crandon of Boston spoke of the International Peace Congress at Munich, to which they were delegates, and expressed a hopeful view of the future of the peace cause. They were both impressed with the great earnestness of the peace workers in the countries which they visited while abroad. Rev. Benjamin Chappell, a Methodist missionary for eighteen years in Japan, president of Aoyama College, who is spending his furlough here this winter, gave a most interesting talk upon the peace-loving character of the Japanese people and upon the good beginning made by the new Japan Peace Society at Tokyo, of which he was one of the founders. If the Japanese can be led to take hold of the peace cause, he said, with the same unity of purpose which characterized their war with Russia, they will become a tremendous power in the movement. Mr. Edwin D. Mead, the last speaker, dwelt upon the duty of all peace workers to help bring about an arrest of the present rivalry of armaments, taking for his text the recent statement of Admiral Rojdestvensky that Russia does not really need to rebuild a large navy, but is compelled to do so by the demand of men who want to be provided for in her naval service. The meeting was considered the most successful and interesting in the series of annual receptions thus far held by the Society.